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News Release

JOHN DEAN TO
SPEAK AT UD

DAYTON, Ohio, January 26, 1984 -- John W. Dean III, who was counsel to former president Richard M. Nixon, will speak at the University of Dayton on Thursday, February 9, at 8 p.m. in the John F. Kennedy Memorial Union Ballroom on the UD campus.

A 1961 graduate of Wooster College, Dean received his law degree from Georgetown University in 1965. In July 1970 he was named counsel to the president, a position he held until his resignation in April 1973 in the middle of Watergate.

In his presentation, entitled "Blind Ambition," Dean details the White House organizational structure and shows how it bred insularity, not only isolating the organization from the outside, but confounding its internal communications as well.

The personal and professional problems Dean discusses extend to the classic dilemma of middle management. "It (Watergate) can happen to anyone," says Dean. "Perhaps not on as grand a scale, but it can happen. I know what ambition can do."

Dean's talk is sponsored by the UD Student Association. It is free and open to the public.

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Dean will be available for press interviews. For more information, contact Ro Nita Hawes, director of news services at UD, (513) 229-3241.